

USE OF MOBILE PHONES OR PORTABLE ELECTRONIC DEVICES IN AIRSIDE AREAS

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1. OBJECTIVE

To remind all airside operators of the restrictions on using mobile phones or portable electronic devices (PED's) in airside areas.

2. SCOPE

This instruction is relevant to all airside operators.

3. SAFETY INSTRUCTION

Under no circumstances should mobile phones or PEDs be used within the aircraft refuelling zone unless the handset is intrinsically safe.

A fuelling zone is established when aircraft fuelling operations are in progress, extending at least 3 metres radially from the aircraft filling and venting points and from any part of the fuelling vehicle and equipment including hoses.

Non-intrinsically safe equipment, including PEDs such as mobile telephones, pagers, radios and any other electronic or electrically operated equipment are prohibited. The use of 'Flight Safety Mode' on PEDs does not make the unit intrinsically safe. Therefore, these items are not to be used in the fuelling zone.

Mobile phones / PED's can be a distraction to the user, pedestrians should therefore maintain vigilance of their surroundings if using such a device, especially when using road crossings and in aircraft operational areas

The use of hand held mobile telephones / PED's whilst driving (including supervising/escorting a non-ADP holder), or otherwise operating a vehicle in any airside area is prohibited.

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